IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : GRANT M. EHRLICH ET AL.

Serial No.:

Title : POLYMERIC BINDER FOR ADHERENT COATINGS

Filed: :
Art Unit :
Examiner :

Priority: : Proposed Divisional Application Based on

Prior Application Serial No. 09/231,275

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In advance of prosecution, please amend the above identified proposed divisional application as follows:

In the Claims:

Delete claims 1-9, inclusive, leaving remaining in the application claims 10-17.

REMARKS

The foregoing amendment is being filed concurrently with the above identified divisional application to remove the composition claims 1-9, inclusive, elected in the parent application Serial No. 09/231,275. Claims 10-17 remain in the

divisional application.

The parent application is still pending and is not being abandoned at this time. An amendment after final rejection has been filed in the parent application along with a petition for a one month extension of time which expires on February 9, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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